

# Growing the Fruit of the Spirit



Series: Fruit of the Spirit



# 1 Corinthians 13:8-13

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- <sup>8</sup> Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. <sup>9</sup> For we know in part and we prophesy in part, <sup>10</sup> but when completeness comes, what is in part disappears.....Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.<sup>13</sup> And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.



# Galatians 5:16-18

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- I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh. **17** For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another, so that you do not do the things that you wish. **18** But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.





# Galatians 5:19-21

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- **19** Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness, **20** idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies, **21** envy, murders, drunkenness, revelries, and the like; of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told *you* in time past, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.



# Galatians 5:22-25

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- <sup>22</sup> But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, <sup>23</sup> gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law. <sup>24</sup> And those *who are* Christ's have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. <sup>25</sup> If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.



# Psalm 52:8

- But I am like a green olive tree in the house of God; I trust in the mercy of God forever and ever"







# Olives at Gardens by the Bay

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*Photos: Gardens by the Bay*



# Fruitfulness – need water

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- Eph 5:25-27 Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her, <sup>26</sup> that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the **washing of water by the word**, <sup>27</sup> that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish.





# Fruitfulness – need the wind

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# Fruitfulness – need cold

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- Psalms 1: 3 He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers.
- “Blooming comes forth because of the preparation that winter provides”
- Isaiah 45:3 I will give you the treasures of darkness and hidden riches of secret places, that you may know that I, the Lord, who call you by your name, am the God of Israel.